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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: IVERSEN et al.

APPLICATION No.: 09/848,868

FILED: May 4, 2001

FOR: SPLICE-REGION ANTISENSE COMPOSITION  
AND METHOD

EXAMINER: LACOURCIERE, K.

ART UNIT: 1635

CONF. No: 8375

**Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application, filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

**Note:** 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Enclosed  
 Amendment  
 A check in the amount of \$385.00 covering fees due.

2. Miscellaneous

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.  
*(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(l) required)*

3. Fees *The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when RCE is filed.*

A check in the amount of \$385.00 is enclosed to cover the following fees.  
 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) (\$385.00)  
 The Director is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment in fees (or credit any overpayments) to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

Respectfully submitted,



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